



*Welcome and welcome back to you who have come to worship with us today! We feel that worship begins best with a prayerful spirit. Many members use the music before the service as a time for meditation and preparation. If conversation or greeting is desired or necessary, would you please keep in mind the spirit of prayerful preparation.*

***First Presbyterian Church***  
***120 N. Front Street***  
***Marquette, Michigan 49855***  
***Nicholas J. Cammarata, Pastor***

*“Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations”*



# First Presbyterian Church Marquette, MI

## WELCOME!

We sincerely welcome all those visitors who are sharing in this time of worship this morning. May God's presence be real, meeting us at our point of need. Please stand and introduce yourself during our time to welcome visitors and friends; sign the visitor card located at either end of the pews, then place it in the offering plate or in the black mailbox outside of the church office. If we can be of assistance to you, please tell the Pastor, an usher, or any church member. Following worship, stay for *Coffee Hour* in the parlors directly behind the sanctuary. We look forward to seeing you again and often!

## WE CARE ABOUT CHILDREN

Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during worship. A Nursery for infants and children is provided on the first floor. An Usher will be pleased to direct you. Children under age 5 are welcome!

## OUR INVITATION

If you are seeking a church home, we ask that you prayerfully consider joining this congregation. Please know that *YOU ARE WANTED!!* If you desire to do so, please speak with the Pastor following worship or call the church office at 226-6587 for an appointment.

## OUR MISSION AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives. As a community of faith, we commit to know, grow and show Christ's love to all through worship, education, and service.*



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In the event of an emergency, call Pastor Nick at 330-565-3112.

## THE WEEK AHEAD...

### Sunday, September 24 - 16th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -  
Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata  
9:00 p.m. - Sunday School Adult & Youth  
10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -  
Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata  
11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by Janice and John Rebers,  
and Crystal Swanson  
6:00 p.m. - ACA

### Monday, September 25

7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

### Tuesday, September 26

6:00 a.m. - Christian Ethics Study  
7:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry  
6:00 p.m. - ACA  
7:00 p.m. - Marquette Male Chorus

### Wednesday, September 27

5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live  
6:15 p.m. - Schola Choir  
6:15 p.m. - Bell Choir  
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

### Thursday, September 28

11:00 a.m. - Prayer Service  
6:00 p.m. - Stephen's Ministry training  
7:00 p.m. - GA & Gam-anon

### Sunday, October 1 - 17th Sunday after Pentecost Communion

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -  
Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata  
9:00 p.m. - Sunday School Adult & Youth  
10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -  
Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata  
11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by Gloria & Jack Truitt  
1:30 p.m. - Crop Walk registration begins  
2:00 p.m. - Crop Walk  
6:00 p.m. - Sr. High Youth meet  
6:00 p.m. - ACA

**FYI:** Updates on total giving are posted outside the main office throughout the year, and monthly income & expense detail are available in the church office.

## Lectionary Readings for: Sunday, October 1, 2017

Ex. 17:1-7

Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16

Phil. 1:1-13

Matthew 21:23 - 32

## September 17, 2017 Attendance:

**8:00 a.m. - 5 10:00 a.m. - 108**  
**Nursery - 3**

## The DEACONS suggest...

**Ready to eat meals** are the donation choice for the month of **September** for the Salvation Army.

Non-perishable food items are always welcome. *Thank you* for supporting this project!

(**Small toiletries** from motel stays are also greatly appreciated.)

## WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 24, 2017

### A MESSAGE FROM MISSION SUPPORT

If you are 70 ½ or older and have IRA or other retirement assets, you may be obligated to take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) by the end of December. Consider sharing some of this taxable income with our church. It's a great way to build your stewardship: you get a deduction and the church receives tax-free money to sustain and build upon its mission. Curious? Contact Financial Secretary, Dave Kurtz at 906 226-6587 Monday-Thursday.

The hurricanes Harvey and Irma have caused flooding, destroyed homes, churches, businesses and roads, stranding thousands of people. Your gifts are urgently needed now to support the communities throughout the Gulf region devastated by these historic storms. Support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's emergency response and long-term recovery work in the areas affected. Designate gifts to DR000169-Harvey and/or DR000194-Irma and place them in the offering plate or drop them off at the church office.

### FROM BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Our Waste Management dumpster can take paper, cardboard, plastic, glass, and metal. Bins have now been placed in both upstairs and downstairs kitchens to collect the recycled items, which can then be transferred to the dumpster. Let's recycle!

### FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Email addresses have changed for several members of the FPC staff. Please update your contact lists and begin contacting Pastor Nick at [pastornjc@gmail.com](mailto:pastornjc@gmail.com), Financial Secretary Dave at [financefpcmqt@gmail.com](mailto:financefpcmqt@gmail.com) and Wendy in the church office at [firstpresbyterianmqt@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresbyterianmqt@gmail.com). Thank you.

It's time again to update the *Church Directory*; please review your information and contact the church office if any updates in name, address, telephone number or email address are needed.

#### YOUR CHURCH STAFF:

Christian Education Director - Jenny Cammarata  
Campus Ministry Director - Faye Elder  
Music Director - Griffin Candey  
Organist - Anne Perket  
Bell Choir Director - Dr. Andrew Poe

#### Pastor - Nicholas J. Cammarata

Commissioned Lay Pastor - Darryl Small  
Office Manager - Wendy Maki  
Financial Secretary - David Kurtz  
Custodian - Karl Hemmila  
Nursery Facilitator - Amanda Fruehling

### GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME TO VISITORS AND FRIENDS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Morning Has Broken”

Liturgist: Cheryl Churack  
*arr. Mark Hayes*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the midst of the desert heat, God heard the cries of the people.

**People: Help us, Lord, please help us.**

Leader: Manna was given and water gushed forth from a rock.

**People: Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Leader: In the midst of the deserts of fear and frustration, God will provide for our needs.

**All: Lord, come to us and heal us we pray.**

\*HYMN #434 (*vs. 1-3*)

“Today We Are Called To Be Disciples”

KINGSFORD

\*OPENING PRAYER (*in unison*)

**Almighty God, through Jesus you say to us that whoever wishes to be first must become the least and the servant of all. We enter into your presence, knowing that your victory is won through the powerlessness of the cross. We come to pray that your church may be one. Teach us to accept humbly that this unity is a gift of your Spirit; through this gift, change and transform us and make us more like your Son, Jesus Christ. AMEN.**

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to you. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to you in our world. Remind us to be who you would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us near and build our relationship with you and with those you have given us on earth. AMEN.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

\* *Those who are able may stand.*

PSALM

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

# Thank You

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

**People: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.**

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

**People: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually.**

Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered,

**People: O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.**

Leader: Then he brought Israel out with silver and gold, and there was no one among their tribes who stumbled.

**People: Egypt was glad when they departed, for dread of them had fallen upon it.**

Leader: He spread a cloud for a covering and fire to give light by night.

**People: They asked, and he brought quails, and gave them food from heaven in abundance.**

Leader: He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed through the desert like a river.

**People: For he remembered his holy promise and Abraham, his servant.**

Leader: So he brought his people out with joy, his chosen ones with singing.

**People: He gave them the lands of the nations, and they took possession of the wealth of the peoples,**

Leader: that they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Praise the LORD! This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS ~ *If you have a prayer request, joy, or concern, please stand, say your name, and speak into the microphone so all can hear you.*

\*THE PEACE Please greet one another, within reach, saying, "Peace be with you."

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN

*(Children are invited to attend Way of the child downstairs)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

"The Lord is My Shephard"  
duet, Griffin and Susan Candey

by Henry Smart

ENGAGING THE TEXT

OLD TESTAMENT READING *(pew Bible, p. 6)*

*Matthew 6:22-23*

NEW TESTAMENT READING *(pew Bible, p. 22)*

*Matthew 20:1-16*

SERMON

"An Evil Eye Meets a Generous Heart"

Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

\*HYMN #281

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"  
CWM RHONDDA

A bunch of thanks go out to: **Stephanie Gencheff** for preparing Mike's delicious chicken casserole for our Lunch Bunch seniors; to **Miriam Hilton** for providing the wonderful home made carrot cake for dessert; and to **Judy Carlson** and **June Turcotte** for helping to serve and clean up the luncheon. God Bless you!

If you would be willing to help serve and clean up at future Lunch Bunch events, please contact the church office at 906 226-6587.

Thank you **Jeff Jaklin** for burning a CD with a copy of a member's memorial service, helping the church office fulfill a request.

**FROM MEMBERSHIP & FELLOWSHIP**

All church members who participate in the Senior Excursion events will be asked to fill out a 'Waiver and Release from Liability' form that will be kept on file in the church office. The form will be updated once a year. Then, you are ready to enjoy participation in any Senior Excursion event because we will already have your emergency contact information. Please feel free to stop in the church office to fill out your form or watch for a time during Coffee Hour when we will have someone available to help you.

Make some coffee and lemonade, bring some light snacks, then enjoy the fellowship of your church family on a Sunday... sign-up for *Coffee Hour!* We need individuals or groups to serve Coffee Hour through the fall months. Sign-up on the sheet by the kitchen door, in the parlors.

**Support First Presbyterian Church by purchasing Scrip:** Scrip is available in the church parlors every Sunday following worship or contact the church office to order during business hours. Scrip such as: Holiday Gas, Econo Foods, Marquette Food Co-op and Border Grill are available for immediate purchase. You get full face value and the church receives from 3-10% from the business. All profits go to the roof fund.

**STEWARDSHIP**

Our annual Stewardship drive is coming up in October. We will be preparing budgets for 2018 and will need everyone to pledge their support for First Presbyterian Church and its ministries, so start thinking Stewardship...

**The male choir Runebergskören BSB from Borgä, Finland visits the United States between September 26<sup>th</sup> and October 7<sup>th</sup>.**

Runebergskören BSB was founded in 1923 and consists of close to 50 singers. Their repertoire is based on music mainly by Nordic composers but from time to time the choir also stretches out to explore new musical frontiers. The choir is conducted by Mr. Teppo Salakka since 2012.

The concert repertoire is chosen to give a taste of the broad spectrum of Nordic male choir music. As the purpose is to celebrate Finland's grand birthday, the great Jean Sibelius is, of course, in the limelight with a strong presence.

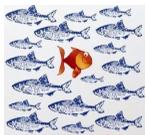
The concert in the Marquette area will be on **Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:30 pm** in the Reynolds Recital Hall on the campus of Northern Michigan University. Open seating; admission is FREE

**RATI TO BEGIN...**

It's almost time for **Room at the Inn** to begin for the this season. FPC will host the week of **October 15th – 21st** with set up on Saturday, October 14th. **HELP IS NEEDED:** Please plan to volunteer for a shift, to prepare a meal, to bring snacks or to do laundry. Sign-up sheets will be in the parlor on the buffet. If you cannot volunteer, donate to RATI and support this important community ministry.

**FROM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Our Sunday School Program is growing! We'd like to welcome the following new teachers to our Sunday School staff: Cheryl Churack and Christi White along with Dani Jaklin working with the Junior High class. Fay Elder facilitating the adult Bible study along with Andy Poe, Jenny Cammarata and John Sonderegger. Valerie Stewart along with Lynnea Hosey and Connie Kuzak teaching pre-K through 5th grade.



Welcome to our new leaders and welcome back to our returning teachers!

**TROOP STOCKINGS**

While we don't want to think about summer ending just yet, we only have 8 weeks to prepare Troop Stockings. There are many seasonal items on clearance that would benefit our troops, such as, sun block, lotion, toiletries, puzzle books, hand sanitizer, socks, and lip balm. You may even find snacks with a long shelf life such as beef jerky, nuts, drink mixes, and electrolyte replacers. The best items have small, hardy packaging. A complete list of items can be found at [www.boatsie.com/itemsneeded.html](http://www.boatsie.com/itemsneeded.html).

**FROM THE COFFEE STAND**

Buy your coffee from the Fair Trade Coffee Stand. New this month is Organic Columbian Full City Roast, Organic Full City Ethiopian Roast and returning is the Congo whole bean and Mind Body and Soul. A special thanks to **Janet McKie** who has purchased a case of Congo percolator coffee for all of our church dinners and coffee hours. **Thank you Janet!** If you'd like to purchase coffee for our church Bunn machine it's \$2.00 per premeasured pack which makes a pot. Please let the church office know if you'd like to buy coffee for the smaller machine. We have a case of 48 pre measured packs.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR TITHES AND OFFERING (*in unison*)

**Loving God, we come to you with thanks, knowing that all we are and all we have is a gift from you. In faith and love, help us to do your will. We are listening, Lord. Speak your words into the depths of our souls, that we may hear you clearly. We offer to you this day all the facets of our lives. Give us the wisdom and insight to understand your will for us and the fervor to carry out our good intentions. We offer these tithes to you as a true act of faith, to reflect our love for you and our neighbor. AMEN.**

OFFERTORY "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" *arr. Mary McDonald*  
OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY #592 (Old Hundredth)  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*HYMN #526 (*vs. 1-3*) "For All the Saints"  
RANDOLPH

\*INVITATION TO HOSPITALITY

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" *arr. Jason Payne*

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<b>SERVING TODAY</b>			
Leading Worship:	<i>Rev. Nicholas Cammarata</i>	Acolytes:	<i>Youth Volunteers</i>
Music Director:	<i>Griffin Candey</i>	Greeters:	<i>Alex Levra &amp; Abi Schloegel</i>
Organist:	<i>Anne Perket</i>	Ushers:	<i>Carolyn McDonald &amp; Sherry Nelson</i>
Liturgist:	<i>Cheryl Churack</i>	Counters:	<i>Taylor Klipp,</i>
Psalm Reader:	<i>Lotus Klipp</i>	Secure Building:	<i>Jim Enright</i>
Children's Message:	<i>Jenny Cammarata</i>	Nursery:	<i>Amanda Fruehling</i>
Way of the Child:			

*\* Those who are able may stand.*



**Hearing devices** are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for help.  
**A wheelchair** is also available in the Narthex for assistance in entering and exiting the church.

The flowers in the Chancel this morning are in loving memory of my parents Stanley and Marie (St. Louis) Todish, my sister and brother-in-law Lois and Allen Helberg and their sons Gregory and Robert. ~ Margery Small



### Presbytery Point Camp

**Sept. 24 - 30 Fall Work Camp** help prepare the camp for the off-season.

The **Knitters** will not meet on **Monday, September 25th.**

The Christian ethics study with Pastor Nick resumes **Tuesday, September 26th at 6:00 am.**  
 The **Men's Ministry Group** meets **Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am.**

**Wednesday Night Live** is back... join us **September 27th at 5:30 pm** for a meal. You don't even need to bring anything but an appetite. The meal will be provided. At **6:00 pm** we will gather to discuss *Just Eating? Practicing Our Faith at the Table*. This is a 15 week study produced by the Presbyterian Hunger Project. A Just meal will be served at the end of the 15 weeks. Please plan on attending.

**Bell Choir** rehearsals are **Wednesdays, at 6:15 pm** in the Sanctuary.  
**Schola Choir** rehearsals are **Wednesdays, at 6:15 pm** in room A.  
**Chancel Choir** rehearsals are **Wednesdays at 7:30 pm** in the choir room.  
 Anyone who would like to play bells, or sing, is welcome to join the church choirs.

A **Prayer Service** is in the Chancel on **Thursdays at 11:00 am.**

A **Stephen's Ministry** training class is now meeting on Thursdays at 6 pm - 8 pm, at the church. For more information, please contact Rev. Gary Stevens at [dedriverafter@wildblue.net](mailto:dedriverafter@wildblue.net).

Office Manager, Wendy Maki will attend an administrative professionals conference in Jeffersonville, IN **September 28 – 30th** If you would be willing to volunteer in the church office Thursday or Friday morning 9 am –noon, or afternoon 1-4 pm, please call 226-6587. Thanks.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION ELDERS:** class of '18: Duane Gooch, Shannon Levra, Sue Manson; '19: Faye Elder, Cathy Enright, Taylor Klipp, Andy Poe; '20: Greg Bambach, Bill Houghton, Pete Premeau, Paul Schloegel  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS:** class of '18: Dan Barrington, Joe Boyle, Lou Ann Jaklin, Susan Payant; '19: Barb Gooch, Chad Larsen, John Levra, Beverly Tobin; '20 Sara Bednarek, Connie Kuzak, Mike Kuzak, David Payant.

The **Peace and Global Witness** offering will be collected on Oct. 1, 2017. This is one of three special offerings that we collect throughout the year. Consider making a donation- \$20.00 can provide Jerry cans for transporting water, \$30.00 school supplies for displaced students, \$50.00 provides food baskets for refugees or linens and blankets for warmth and comfort. Special envelopes will be in the pews the week before and the week after the offering. Please consider this worthy mission.

### FROM SOCIAL EDUCATION & ACTION

**Drivers needed!** The SE&A committee are looking for a few good drivers, willing to take visitors to the Munising Prison. If you have any questions please call Don Potvin for more information at (906) 226-6914.

### **Crop Walk – Oct. 1, 2017 – First Presbyterian Church** **Registration 1:30 pm. Walk begins at 2 pm.**

Packets are available now. Please join us in our efforts to deal with hunger in our community and the related issues.  
*Please sign up for refreshments* afterwards. If you have any questions please call Crystal Swanson at (906) 225-0595.



**CROP WALK volunteers needed!** Please check out the list by the church office to see if you can help at the Crop Walk. If you have any questions please call Crystal at 225-0595

### SENIOR EXCURSION

A Senior Excursion is being planned for participants to attend the **Harvest Dinner** at the Community Presbyterian Church of Big Bay on **Saturday, October 7th.** A bus will be available for those wanting a ride at the MARESA parking lot (formerly the Parkview School) at **3:45 pm** on Saturday, October 7th. The bus leaves for Big Bay at **4:00 pm.** The cost is \$12.00 for the dinner and \$1.00 for the bus ride to be paid at the time of the event. The approximate return time of the bus is 7:00 pm. All Senior Excursion participants will be asked to fill out a 'Waiver and Release from Liability' form prior to the event. If you have questions, contact the church office at 906 226-6587.

Please plan to stay for a **Congregational Meeting** following **10 am worship on October 8th, 2017.** We will be voting on changes to Pastor Nick's Terms of Call. The proposed changes are on the table in the Main Hall. If you have any questions, please talk to an Elder.

### YOU ARE INVITED

The woods at **the camp on Old Kiln Road** are as lovely as ever and we hope that many of our friends will enjoy a walk there on **Sunday, October 8th from 2 to 4 pm.** The owners, Nick and Janna Lies are welcoming us all. We'll have hamburgers, hot dogs, rolls, veggies, coffee and hot and cold cider waiting for you. Please bring anything else you'd like to eat or drink. Directions are on the table in the main hall. ~ Miriam Hilton